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For: PERPENDICULAR MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM AND MAGNETIC

RECORDING/REPRODUCTION APPARATUS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/response for this application.

FEES

The fee for claims and extension of time (37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17) has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA		RATE			ADDIT. FEE		
TOTAL	20		20	=	0	_x_	\$	50.00	=	\$	0.00
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE										\$	0.00
GRAND TOTAL										\$	0.00

FEE PAYMENT

Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$0.00 to Deposit Account No. 033975. Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above.

Date: **January 31, 2006**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 31, 2005, the date for response to which is January 31, 2006, the above application is amended as follows: